

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety – FY2017

In 2015, pedestrian fatalities in Michigan increased 15 percent from 2014, and bicyclist fatalities increased nearly 60 percent for the same period. Total pedestrian-involved crashes were up by 3 percent, and bicyclist crashes were up by nearly 7 percent from the previous year, indicating a significant underlying problem affecting and involving pedestrians and bicycle riders.

A recent study by Western Michigan University found that nearly 40 percent of all pedestrian and bicyclist involved crashes that included another vehicle over the last five years, were the result of “failure to yield” on the part of the pedestrian or bicyclist. This evidence led to the OHSP’s Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety program strategy for Fiscal Year 2017.

Goals:

Decrease fatalities and incapacitating injuries involving pedestrians by 2 percent from 560 in 2015 to 549 by December 31, 2018.

Decrease fatalities and incapacitating injuries involving bicyclists by 6 percent from 175 in 2015 to 165 by December 31, 2018.

Task 1: Evaluation	\$50,000
Section 405(h) Funds	\$50,000

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program Assessment Recommendation Implementation

Project Number	PS-17-01	
Benefit to Locals	Yes	
Grantee	TBD	
Grant Amount, Funding Source	\$50,000	405(h)
Grant Start-up	October 1	
SHSP Strategy	Raise awareness of pedestrian and bicycle safety. Recognize successful pedestrian and bicycle safety initiatives. Determine focus communities, cities, and agencies for priority assistance.	
Project Objective	The OHSP will work with the Ped/Bike Safety Action Team network and other traffic safety partners to identify and implement additional strategies identified to address pedestrian and bicyclist crashes by September 30, 2017.	

The OHSP will work with GTSAC Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Team network and other traffic safety partners to identify and implement additional strategies identified to address pedestrian and bicyclist crashes.

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A project will be developed for more law enforcement training, law enforcement mobilizations, and periodic campaigns and public education.

Funding will support the costs related to implementing the assessment recommendations.

Task 2: Program Management	\$5,000
Section 402 funds	\$5,000

Program Management

Project Number	CP-17-02	
Benefit to Locals:	No	
Grantee:	OHSP-Program Management Section	
Grant Amount, Funding Source:	\$5,000	402
Grant Start-up:	October 1	
SHSP Strategy:	N/A	

Funding will support the shared costs of the Program Management team required to implement and manage the OHSP programs.

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